

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 2 are pending in this application. Claim 1 has been amended to provide more specific detail regarding the structure, rather than the method of manufacture, of the lead portion of the grid. For this reason, the rejections under 35 USC 102(b) and 103 are now moot.

The specification has been amended to overcome the examiner's objection regarding the strike-through of the term "elastic". As well, claim 2 has been amended to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112. Finally, the abstract and title have been revised to more accurately coincide with the scope of the present application.

Enclosed herewith is a request to amend the drawing figures to change the designation provided by reference number 14. Reference numeral 14 correctly refers to the side terminal post. The drawings will be changed to show that the container is referred to, as shown in the specification, by reference numeral 12.

Finally, pursuant to MPEP 602.03, the Examiner is respectfully requested to waive the informality in the declaration or, at least, to hold the objection in abeyance until the application is found to have allowable subject matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

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